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Upcoming volunteer opportunities *Celebrate Arbor Day with us!*

Join the many dedicated community members who care deeply about the citywide trails, and become a volunteer!

Citywide trail volunteers are critical for preserving, maintaining, protecting, developing and operating trails in Carlsbad for public use. It's a great way to have fun, keep fit and learn about our unique environment – all while making a lasting contribution that benefits the community for generations.

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Mark your calendar for upcoming volunteer opportunities. And remember, as always, wear gloves, close-toed shoes and sunscreen. Water and snacks are provided.

April 27 - Lake Calavera Preserve

Volunteers will plant approximately 450 native plants at a 5-acre restoration site and work on trail surface improvements, erosion repairs and fencing. This event is in collaboration with the North Coast Community Church Day of Service (volunteers will be helping with the planting of native shrubs at the 5-acre restoration site).

May 11 - Ridgeline Trail

We will install new trail signs, repair trail erosion from recent rains, clear rocks on steep slopes, and complete lots of dirt and shovel work.

To learn how to become a trail volunteer, please call the City Volunteer Hotline at 760-434-2929 or visit www.carlsbadca.gov/volunteers. Existing trail volunteers can call Liz Ketabian at 760-434-2978 to verify volunteer event dates and times (usually 8:30 a.m. to noon) or check the city's website at: www.carlsbadca.gov/trails. Please also contact Liz to learn about the Adopt-a-Trail program.



Second Saturday *highlights*

February - Hosp Grove

City staff and volunteers worked diligently to improve the trails in the west grove on the second Saturday in February. Work included clearing weeds, relocating signage, closing “social trails” with brush and timber, drainage improvements, stump removals and trash pickup. Special volunteer partners from the Carlsbad Community Church helped at this event with 14 young, hard working men and women contributing great enthusiasm and commitment resulting in 53 hours of volunteer service.

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March - Veteran's Park and Golf Course Trails

Due to the rain in early March, the Second Saturday Trail Work was rescheduled to Saturday, March 16. This made for a small group of 10 volunteers, but we had a fun and productive morning! We replenished the existing trail with new decomposed granite, completed weeding and removed invasive fennel plants, logging 30 hours of volunteer time.

Quarterly trail volunteer meetings

Want to find out more about volunteering for our trails? Quarterly trail volunteer meetings are held once a quarter on Thursday evenings at 5 p.m. at the Carlsbad Senior Center, 799 Pine Ave.

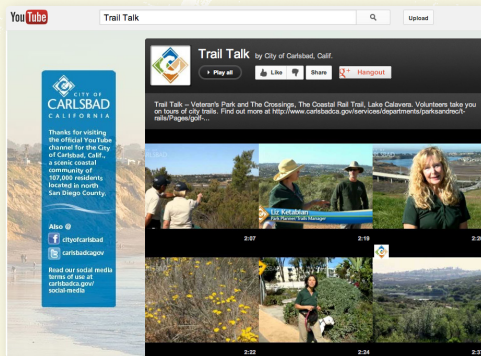
- Thursday, June 20
- Thursday, September 19
- Thursday, December 19



Carlsbad “Trail Talk” videos on YouTube

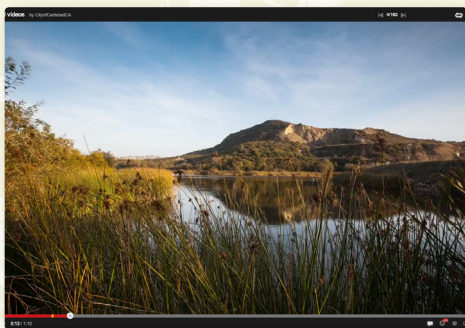
If you haven't had a chance to check out our popular Trail Talk video series, visit the city's YouTube channel and search “Trail Talk.”

You'll find videos hosted by our dedicated trail volunteers who provide a virtual tour of their favorite trails. Share your favorites with friends online and join the conversation in the online comments section. Just visit www.YouTube.com and search “Carlsbad Trail Talk” to find the videos!



Time lapse videos

Enjoy a day in the life of Lake Calavera with this new time lapse video. Do you have ideas of other trail locations that would make for an interesting time lapse video? If so, email us at communications@carlsbadca.gov.



Scan this code
with your mobile
device to watch
the video.

Featured photo... and a friendly reminder

Check out this dog owner enjoying a walk on the Ridgeline Trail in La Costa, with a friend leading the way toward more sights, sounds and smells to explore!

Please remember that we want everyone to enjoy our trails, so be sure to pick up our D.O.G.S. on Trails flyer, which outlines the following tips and rules to keep everyone safe and our trails clean:

- Keep your dog on a sturdy leash, under 6-ft long. This isn't just good practice — it's the law.
- Stay on open paths or trails where snakes can more easily be seen.
- Always carry plastic bags when walking pets and be sure to pick up after them. Most trails offer pet waste stations with disposable bags and trash receptacles. Please use them and never toss pet waste into the bushes, street or gutter.



Volunteer Award

Volunteer Trail Captains Ed and Tricia Cerda were honored with a Citation Award for their service to the citywide trails program at the annual District 12 California Parks & Recreation Society awards event held at the Encinitas Community Center March 27. Ed and Tricia have volunteered since 2007, are Trail Captains for the La Costa Glen Trail, and Second Saturday monthly trail work regulars. They are also featured as hosts of our latest “Trail Talk” video, showcasing the La Costa Glen Trail.

Congratulations, Ed and Tricia, for this well deserved honor!





Volunteer Trail Captains

- **Arroyo Vista**
Tia Lanzetta
- **Batiquitos Lagoon**
Dave Robertson
- **Carlsbad Oaks North**
Patti Wolf
- **Coastal Rail**
Terri and Joe Sardina
- **El Fuerte / Bressi Ranch**
Libby Lee
- **Hosp Grove**
Gary Nessim and John Rodenhausen
- **La Costa Glen**
Ed and Tricia Cerda
- **La Costa Valley**
Cathy Muller
- **Lake Calavera**
Erik Mickelson
- **Old Rancho Santa Fe Rd. / Rancho La Costa Preserve**
Vacant
- **Rancho Carrillo**
Teresa Donata, Tim Griffin and Ramesh Sirsi
- **Ridgeline / La Costa**
Don Stapp
- **The Crossings / Veterans Park**
Mary & Richard James
- **The Ranch / Santa Fe**
Vacant
- **Village H / Hidden Canyon**
Tim Campbell
- **Villagio**
John F. Gillis
- **Waters End**
Jamie Hartnett

Eagle Scouts recognized

Eagle Scout candidates Liam Gannon and Steven Cook were honored by the City Council and the Parks and Recreation Commission on March 26 and 18: Steven, of Troop 716, for his project to build a kiosk for Hosp Grove, and Liam, of Troop 750, for building a picnic area at the Lake Calavera Preserve. Troop 750 raised \$1,557 in donations to build a new pad and purchase a picnic table made of recycled plastic. The space is located off of the South Shore Trail and overlooks the lake, providing a beautiful setting for rest and relaxation at the preserve.



Citywide Trails Program *Mission Statement*

"Provide a trails system that ensures the recreational and leisure needs of Carlsbad residents while supporting the protection and preservation of open space in accordance with the City of Carlsbad General Plan."

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